

Section I:
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.121 to the CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A computer-implemented method of communicating emotional aspects associated with a communication session from a first person to a second person, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving an emotional state indicator output from automatic one or more emotional-characteristic indicators from at least one emotional content analyzer system as the result of at least one emotional content analysis performed on said of a communication session from [[said]] a first person to a plurality of recipients, wherein each recipient is to receive a copy of said communication session;

identifying retrieving a profile for said first person and said second person;

retrieving a plurality of profiles corresponding to each of said recipients;

determining an overall emotional state for said first person relative to said first person's identity and said received emotional content analysis results;

for each recipient, determining an appropriate emoticon or other symbol to reflect said emotional state in a manner consistent with each recipient profile;

for each copy to each recipient, merging said emoticon or symbol into said communication session copy; and

presenting said communication session, emoticons, and symbols to each of said plurality of recipients wherein each recipient receives symbols consistent with their own profile.

generating one or more electronic symbols representing said overall emotion, said electronic symbols being interpretable by said second person; and

presenting said electronic symbols to said second person in association with said communication session.

2. (currently amended) The computer-implemented method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said step of receiving ~~results~~ output of at least one emotional content analysis comprises receiving the results of a process selected from the group of a hand gesture recognizer, a body movement recognizer, a voice pitch analyzer, and a facial expression recognizer.
3. (cancelled).
4. (cancelled).
5. (original) The computer-implemented method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said step of generating one or more electronic symbols corresponding to said overall emotional state comprises generating an electronic symbol selected from the list of a text-based emoticon, a graphical emoticon, a text highlight method, a text size change, a text underlining method, a text bolding method, one or more signals for a Telephone Terminal for the Deaf system, and a Braille code.

6. (currently amended) An article of manufacture ~~for communicating emotional aspects associated with a communication session from a first person to a second person;~~ comprising:
- a computer readable medium suitable for storing computer programs; and
 - one or more computer programs stored by said computer readable media, configured to cause a computer to perform the steps of:
- (a) ~~receiving an emotional state indicator output from automatic one or more emotional characteristic indicators from at least one emotional content analyzer system as the result of at least one emotional content analysis performed on said~~ a first person to a plurality of recipients, wherein each recipient is to receive a copy of said communication session;
 - (b) ~~identifying retrieving a profile for said first person and said second person;~~
 - (c) ~~retrieving a plurality of profiles corresponding to each of said recipients determining an overall emotional state for said first person relative to said first person's identity and said received emotional content analysis results ;~~
 - (d) ~~for each recipient, determining an appropriate emoticon or other symbol to reflect said emotional state in a manner consistent with each recipient profile; generating one or more electronic symbols representing said overall emotion; said electronic symbols being interpretable by said second person; and~~
 - (e) ~~for each copy to each recipient, merging said emoticon or symbol into said communication session copy; and presenting on a user interface device said electronic symbols to said second person in association with said communication session.~~
 - (f) presenting said communication session, emoticons, and symbols to each of said plurality of recipients wherein each recipient receives symbols consistent with their own profile.

7. (currently amended) The article of manufacture as set forth in Claim 6 wherein said computer program for receiving ~~results~~ output of at least one emotional content analysis comprises software for receiving the results of a process selected from the group of a hand gesture recognizer, a body movement recognizer, a voice pitch analyzer, and a facial expression recognizer.
8. (cancelled).
9. (cancelled).
10. (previously presented) The article of manufacture as set forth in Claim 6 wherein said computer program for generating one or more electronic symbols corresponding to said overall emotional state comprises software for generating an electronic symbol selected from the list of a text-based emoticon, a graphical emoticon, a text highlight method, a text size change, a text underlining method, a text bolding method, one or more signals for a Telephone Terminal for the Deaf system, and a Braille code.

11. (original) A system ~~for communicating emotional aspects of a~~ communication session from a first person to a second person, said system comprising:
- a recognizer input configured to receive an emotional state indicator output from automatic emotional content analysis of a communication session from a first person to a plurality of recipients, wherein each recipient is to receive a copy of said communication session results of at least one emotional content analyzer performed on said first person;
 - a set of user ID's configured to identify said first person and said second person;
 - a retriever configured to retrieve a profile for said first person, and to retrieve a plurality of profiles corresponding to each of said recipients;
 - an emotional state analyzer adapted to determine an overall emotional state for said first person relative to said first person's identity and said received emotional content analyzer results;
 - a symbol generator ~~adapted~~ configured to determine for each recipient an appropriate emoticon or other symbol to reflect said emotional state in a manner consistent with each recipient profile; generate one or more symbols representing said overall emotion, said symbols being suitable for interpretation by said second person; and
 - a symbol merger configured to, for each copy to each recipient, merge said emoticon or symbol into said communication session copy; and for merging said generated symbols with said communication session for presentation to said second person;
 - a user interface configured to present said communication session, emoticons, and symbols to each of said plurality of recipients wherein each recipient receives symbols consistent with their own profile.
12. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 11 wherein said recognizer input is further adapted to receive ~~the results of~~ output from a recognizer selected from the group of a hand gesture recognizer, a body movement recognizer, a voice pitch analyzer, and a facial expression recognizer.

13. (cancelled)
14. (cancelled)
15. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 11 wherein said system generator is further ~~adapted~~ configured to generate a symbol selected from the list of a text-based emoticon, a graphical emoticon, a text highlight method, a text size change, a text underlining method, a text bolding method, one or more signals for a Telephone Terminal for the Deaf system, and a Braille code.
16. (currently amended) The system as set forth in Claim 11 wherein said symbol merger is ~~adapted~~ configured to merge a communication session selected from the group of an electronic mail message, an online text chat, a video conference, an online classroom, a captioned television broadcast, a multimedia presentation, and an open captioned meeting.